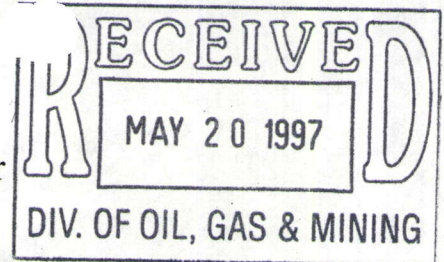




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Tony Gallegos
State Of Utah
Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining
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Re: Yerian Mine Reclamation

Dear Tony:

I wanted to follow-up our meeting last week with Jim Clark, Walter Babiy, and Leo Snow with a confirmation of what type reclamation is needed on public lands (T.6S. R.21E. Sec. 35 SESW) immediately north and adjacent to the existing Yerian placer mine disturbances on private land. The berm near the gate entrance should be leveled (material was pushed from the west and north to create the berms, so the material should be spread back over the cuts). The trench and nearby test pit (about one hundred feet west-northwest of the gate, see right-hand side of photo 1 of enclosure) are to be filled with the adjacent excavated material. About 350 feet west of the gate there is shallow trenching, a berm across a roadway, stockpiles of what appear to be topsoil material, and an excavation (see photos 2 and 5 with enclosed letter). The trenching can be filled with stockpiled material, the berm across the road may be moved onto the private land, and the excavation recontoured to match that on the private land.

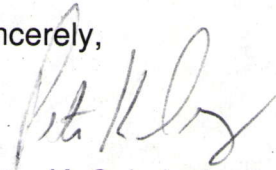
Attached is a copy of 8/5/97 correspondence from this office to Andrew Babiy with regards to the need to reclaim these disturbances. DJ included a recommended seed mix. Please let me know if you have a particular mix which is to be applied onto the Yerian mine reclamation. I need to seek concurrence with some specialists here to determine if the Yerian mine operators can apply the same mix on public lands. For your information, the adjacent public lands is open to off-road vehicle use with no restrictions. This means OHV operators are not restricted to existing roads and trails on the public lands in this area.

I appreciate you conveying onto the current Yerian Mine representatives the items needing reclamation on public lands with your follow-up letter to the field inspection on

5/15/97. I would like to be advised when the reshaping of the disturbances on public lands is completed and when the seeding of the reshaped areas has taken place.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (801) 781-4501.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Peter K. Sokolosky', written in a cursive style.

Peter K. Sokolosky
Geologist, Vernal Field Office

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Naxos Resources Ltd.
Andrew Babi, Secretary/Treasurer
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Canada

Re: Encroachment of Mining
Operations onto Public
Lands - Horseshoe Bend

Dear Mr. Babi:

On Thursday, May 19, 1994, D.J. Beaupeurt-Schantz, Physical Science Technician (Bureau of Land Management), and Tony Gallegos, Reclamation Engineer (State of Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining), met with your representative Jerry Fitzen at the Yerian Mine location on Horseshoe Bend.

The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) interest in your Yerian Mining operations involves an encroachment from the private property onto the BLM public lands. The boundary in question had been surveyed and staked off to assist in determining the exact extent of the encroachment, which appears to be less than two (2) acres.

Enclosed with this correspondence are five (5) 5x7 photographs showing the areas of disturbance including a fairly significant open pit/trench area (descriptions as follows):

- Photo 1: Taken from near the road into the Yerian area, looking in an easterly direction towards the Green River. Orange flagging denotes boundary line. The areas of disturbance encroaching onto BLM lands can be seen in the mid-left area of the photo. The pit/trench area and a pile of talus material are to the mid-right of the photo.
- Photo 2: Taken from near the adjusted corner marker at the Green River, looking in a northwesterly direction. The road into the Yerian area is just past the land horizon. Orange flagging denotes the boundary line.
- Photo 3: Same as Photo 2 only taken in a horizontal manner to show the outlying area. The pit area and areas of surface disturbance are more apparent in this photo than in Photo No. 2. There appears to be some stockpiled material to the left which could be used to fill in the disturbed areas and assist with seed growth.
- Photo 4: This photo was taken at the top-most area of the pit to show the depth and width of the trench and pit area. Material at the top of the trenched area could be used to fill in the pit area and some recontouring could be performed to match the surrounding area.
- Photo 5: Taken from near the road to the Yerian Mine, looking in an easterly direction towards the Green River. Flagged boundary markers can be seen. Areas of surface disturbance and the pit/trenched area are noted on the photo.

Besides the original encroachment area, Mr. Jerry Fitzen advised the inspectors that he had bermed up a "turn-around" area near the entrance (cable gate) of the Yerian Mine to encourage vandals and recreationists to turn around and not try to enter onto the private property (photos enclosed). The area is located on the eastern side of the roadway and creates a rather large, square area of disturbance in which trash is accumulating. The berms are encroaching onto BLM public lands. No application was received by this office for this surface disturbance. After reviewing the situation, we do not feel there is a real need for the berms to be in place on the BLM land. It might be more practical for Mr. Fitzen to build the berms in a linear manner along the boundary line on the private land. This area needs to be cleaned up and all trash hauled off the site. The berms should be recontoured to create the original landform. Seeding needs to be performed in the same manner as described in the following paragraph.

Reclamation of the entire encroachment area(s) shall include, but not be limited to: reshaping of disturbed areas to natural contours, applying topsoil, and revegetating with appropriate seed mixture as required by the BLM Resource Area personnel. A description of the approved seed mixture is included with this correspondence (Exhibit A). Seed shall be applied to the area after September 15th and before the ground freezes. Attempts should be made to control erosion and any noxious weeds invading the site.

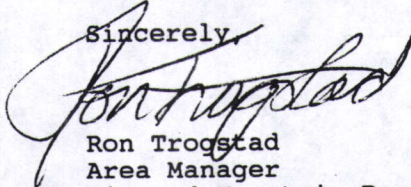
When reclamation is completed, the authorized BLM officer shall be notified so an on-site inspection may be made. Notification within ten (10) days of the final reclamation is required.

All high walls or overburden material piles will be recontoured to slopes not steeper than 3:1 and revegetated using the recommended seed mixture.

It is my understanding you may have equipment in the area while reclaiming the disturbed acreage next to the encroachment in order to bring your permit to within the five (5) acre limit allowed by the State of Utah. This would be an excellent opportunity to reclaim the areas of encroachment.

If you have any questions concerning the reclamation of the encroachment, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. D.J. Beaupeurt-Schantz of this office at (801) 781-4462.

Sincerely,



Ron Troostad
Area Manager
Diamond Mountain Resource Area

2 Enclosures

1. Five photographs
2. Map of site

cc: Tony Gallegos, Ut. State Div. OG&M
Jerry Fitzen, P. O. Box 1332, Vernal, UT 84078

DBeaupeurt-Schantz:plp:August 2, 1994:YERIAN.695

bcc: Central File
Reading File
Informal Horseshoe Bend File

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DIAMOND MOUNTAIN RESOURCE AREASTANDARD SEED MIXTURE
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Uintah County, UtahPure Live Seed
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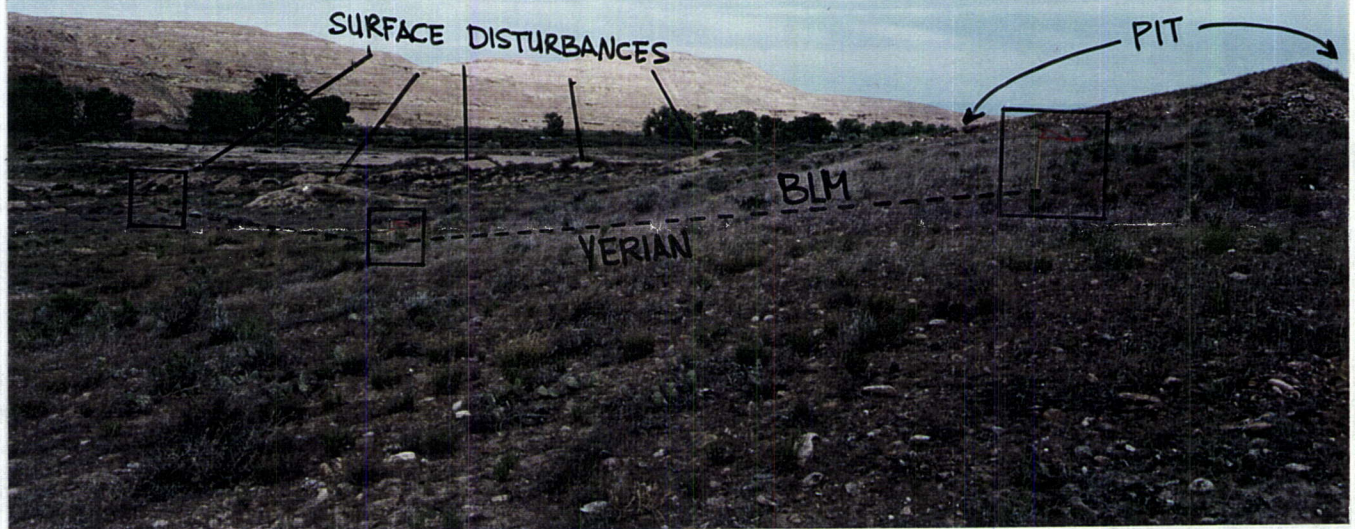
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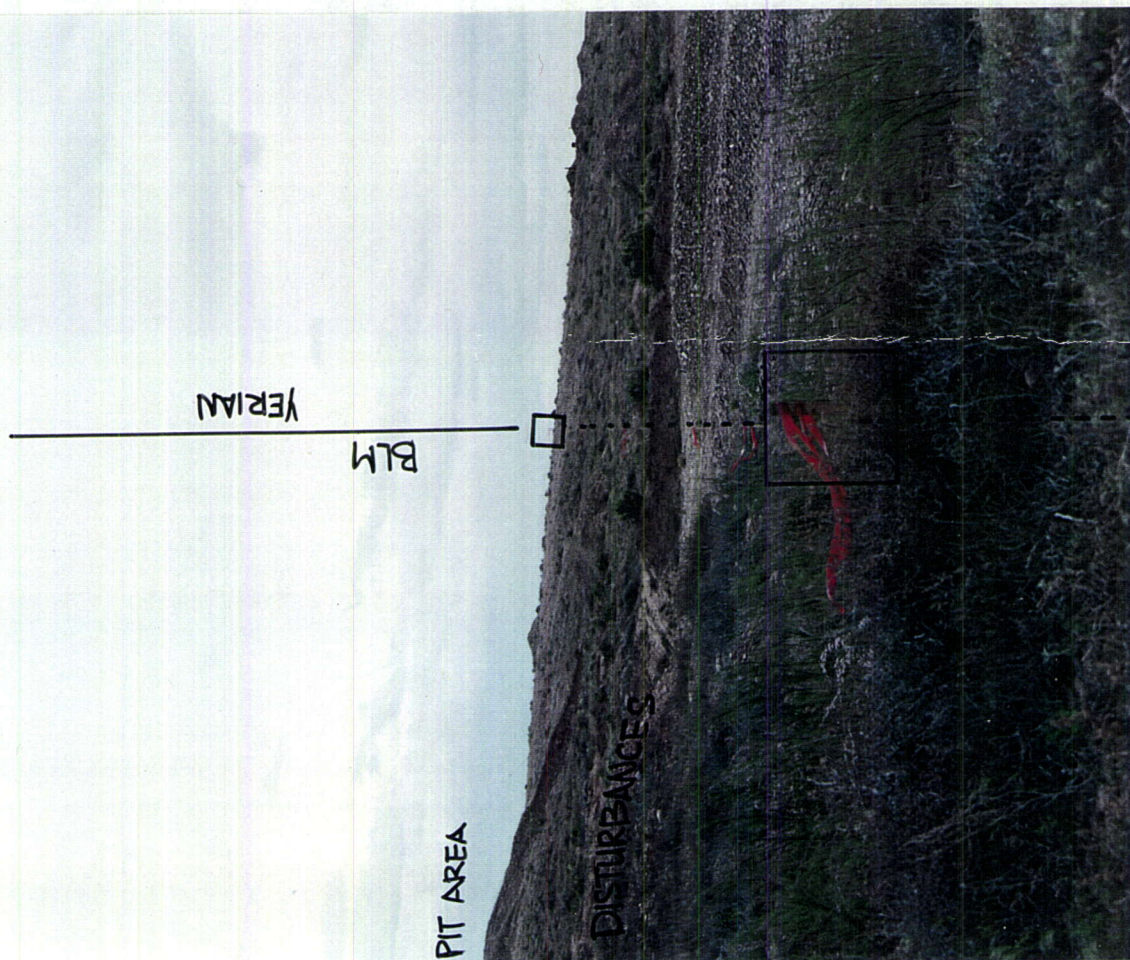
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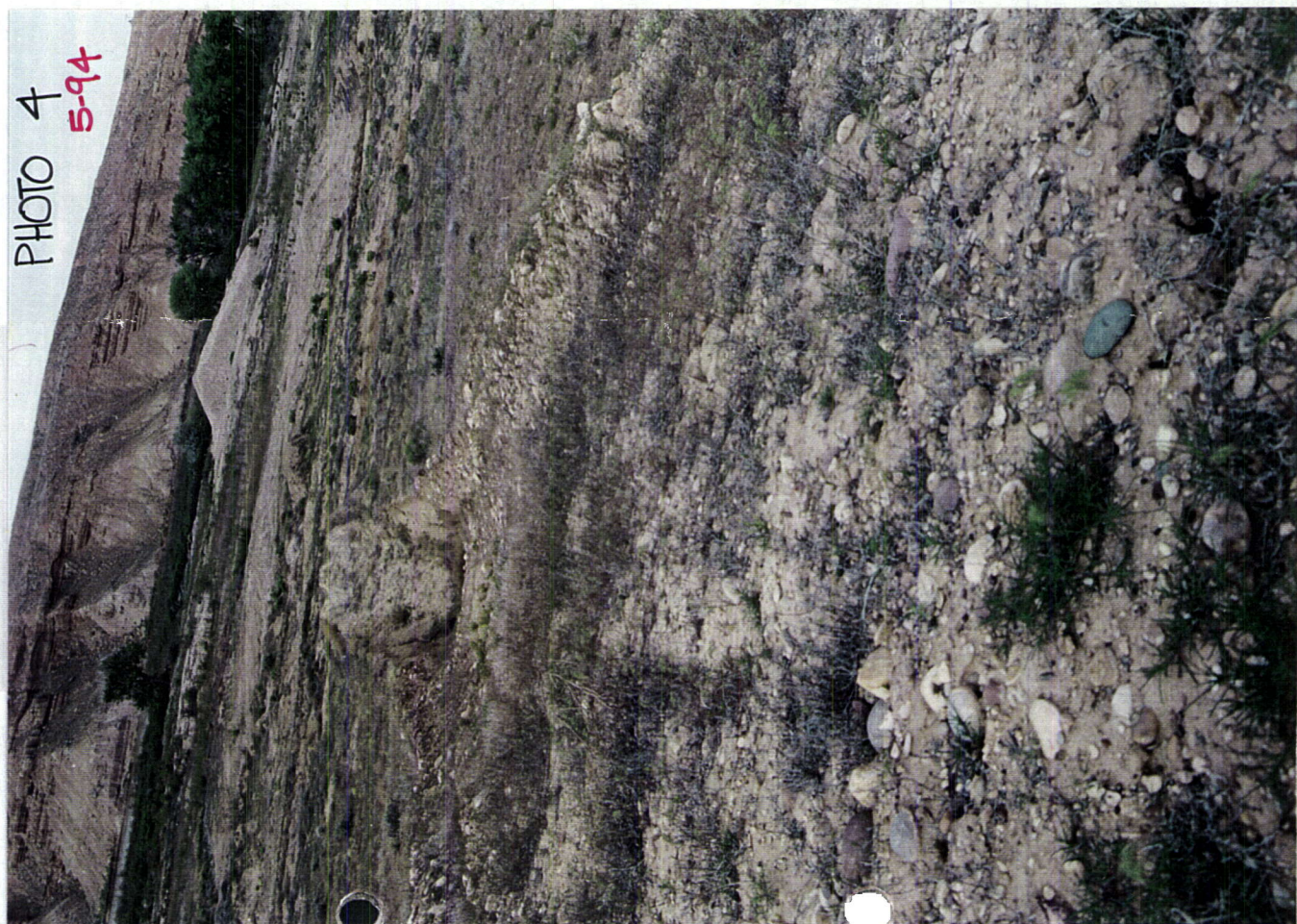


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